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**STATE OF MAINE  
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126TH LEGISLATURE  
FIRST REGULAR SESSION**

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT “ ” to S.P. 85, L.D. 249, “Resolve, Directing the Board of Dental Examiners To Amend Its Rules To Improve Access to Oral Health Care in Maine”

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the 4th line (page 1, line 4 in L.D.) by striking out the following: ", including dental hygiene treatment,"

Amend the resolve in section 1 in the last line (page 1, line 7 in L.D.) by striking out the following: "school." and inserting the following: 'school; and be it further'

Amend the resolve by inserting after section 1 the following:

**'Sec. 2. Report. Resolved:** That the Board of Dental Examiners shall submit a report by January 15, 2014 to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development on how the dental services performed by dental students under section 1 will increase access to dental care in the underserved areas of the State, the number of private dental offices that will be participating and how patients will be screened for treatment by dental students in private dental offices. The Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development is authorized to submit a bill related to this report to the Second Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment strikes the provision in the bill that proposed to allow dental students of a bona fide dental school or university to perform dental hygiene treatment in institutional and public health service programs and in private dental offices under the control of a licensed dentist. It adds a requirement for the Board of Dental Examiners to submit a report by January 15, 2014 to the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce, Research and Economic Development on how the dental services performed by dental students under the provisions of the resolve will increase access to dental care in the underserved areas of the State, the number of private dental offices that will be participating and how the patients will be screened for treatment by dental students in the private dental offices. It authorizes the Joint Standing Committee on Labor, Commerce,

**COMMITTEE AMENDMENT**

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1 Research and Economic Development to submit a bill related to this report to the Second  
2 Regular Session of the 126th Legislature.

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**FISCAL NOTE REQUIRED**

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**(See attached)**